

MODERN CORSET IS HEALTHFUL, REPORTS U. S.

Public Health Service Examines 3,000 New York Garment Workers.

PREVAILING STYLES AID GOOD POSTURES

Surgeons Find Personal Appearance Powerful Influence Among Workwomen.

[From The Tribune Bureau.]
Washington, Sept. 6.—The modern corset appears to be a decided aid in preventing very bad postures, is the statement of the United States Public Health Service in a comprehensive report on conditions among garment workers of New York City, taking issue with a doctrine hitherto almost universally accepted as true, from the physicians' standpoint.

The report is the result of a careful study and examination of the garment workers, during which about 2,000 men and 1,000 women employed in this trade in New York City were examined, and records kept of the results. Details of the results of the examination of the men garment workers were printed exclusively in The Tribune on August 2.

Corsets a Protection.
That corsets had prevented the women from suffering many of the ill effects of bad positions assumed by garment workers at their tasks was one of the conclusions drawn by Surgeon J. W. Schereschewsky, who wrote the report.

While the postural habits of females were not studied so carefully as those of males, the report declares, "it still is evident that defective postures were not so frequent among them. In the first place, the modern corset appears to be a decided aid in preventing very bad postures. Second, consciousness of the personal appearance is a far more powerful influence among females than it is in males. Inasmuch as until very recently the prevailing styles and the type of corset used are not becoming unless the posture assumed by the wearer is good or less correct, we have in female workers a powerful incentive to good postures which is not operative for males. Besides this, in females their average age was so low that, as the normal tendency of human beings to 'slump' when habitually sedentary had not as yet time to overcome the operation of other influences which in females tend to make for a good posture."

Declaring that "tuberculosis is undoubtedly the most serious disease prevalent among garment workers, being over three times as prevalent among females as among males, the report recommends open air shops in which workers with tuberculous tendencies could be employed.

Adjustable Seats Needed.
As a means of correcting the faulty postures and the fatigue arising from sitting on seats improperly supporting the body, the report says that it is made, the report says, to promote the use in the garment trades of adjustable seats with backs.

"The spread of communicable diseases in factories should be guarded against," it continues, "by more rigid enforcement of the regulations against promiscuous spitting, the use of the common drinking cup, the common spittoon, and the use of handkerchiefs. Regulations have been noticed in shops of the trade. The high rate of prevalence of tuberculosis among garment workers makes the consistent enforcement of such regulations imperative."

First Work for Majority.
Fifty of the thousand women examined, 88.8 per cent were Jewish, 7.7 per cent Italian, and 3.5 per cent German. Seventy-four per cent were born in Russia, 10.1 per cent in Austria-Hungary, 7 per cent in Italy and 3.4 per cent in the United States.

Half a million spectators, it is estimated, were present at the celebration at the recreation centers. During the day every one of the twenty points was visited by Park Commissioner Ward, Supervisor of Recreation Lee and his assistants, Mrs. E. McKenna, Frida, and the other girls who were the stars of the day. The girls were dressed in the latest fashions, and many of them were wearing the new "flapper" hats.

The average pay of the women was \$2.25 a week. Finishers were paid \$2.25 a year and \$4.45 was the average of the miscellaneous workers. Seventy-four per cent of the women were born in Russia, 10.1 per cent in Austria-Hungary, 7 per cent in Italy and 3.4 per cent in the United States.

Floating Material a Menace.
In connection with the physical condition of the shops the report recommends that attention should be directed toward the elimination of the "fly," or the particles of material floating through the air, which are a menace to the respiratory organs of the workers.

"Dry sweeping should be rigidly suppressed," says the report. "Floors should be constructed, so far as possible, with tight joints, and surfaces of floor should be covered with a material of non-suction cleaning is desirable where practicable. The vibration of machines, transmitted to floors, should be reduced by means of blocks of rubber or similar damping substances beneath machine supports."

POPE OMITS CELEBRATION
Postpones Anniversary Mass Because of European War.

Rome, Sept. 6.—Although to-day was the anniversary of the coronation of Pope Benedict XV there were no signs of festivity in the Vatican, the Pontiff not wishing to take the occasion of rejoicing there in contrast with the general sadness of these days of war.

The high mass of thanksgiving in the Sistine chapel was postponed to December 22.

Bondholders Get Hope.
Daniel B. Ely, chairman of the First Mortgage Bond and Certificate Holders' Association of the Washburn-Pittsburgh Terminal Railway, announced yesterday that at the meeting of the non-assenting bondholders, called for 2 p. m. to-morrow at 25 Broad Street, a decision of the assessment plan will be presented which will enable owners of first mortgage securities to retain their interest and make unnecessary the hurried sale of valuable coal properties of the company.

SIX HELD IN TRACK RAID

Sheriff Pettit Starts Belmont Park Crusade.

Hempstead, Long Island, Sept. 6.—As a result of their efforts to conform to Governor Whitman's order that gambling must be eliminated at Belmont Park, Sheriff Stephen Pettit, of Nassau County, with twenty-five or more of his special deputy sheriffs, appeared on the grounds to-day and thirteen men were gathered in.

Six were held on charges of gambling, one for assaulting two spectators, and the others were permitted to go. All the men were held for the grand jury. Justice of the Peace Louis R. Raggio adjourned the investigation to Wednesday morning at the Mineola courthouse.

HONOR FOR MGR. QUIGLEY

News of Elevation by Pope Comes After Death.

Chicago, Sept. 6.—News of an honor which would have elevated the late Archbishop Quigley, of Chicago, to a rank next to that of a Cardinal, had he lived to receive the Papal message, was received here to-day. The title accorded to the late head of the archdiocese of Chicago was assistant at the pontifical throne and count of the apostolic palace.

By the same message Dr. Francis C. Kelley, of Chicago, president of the Catholic Church Extension Society, was made a prothonotary apostolic, a rank next in order to that of a bishop.

CHILDREN SEIZE CITY'S LABOR DAY

100,000 Dance and Frolic in Parks on Paradeless Holiday for Workers.

REAL BARONESS POSTURES FOR THEM
Sports Draw Throngs, While Union Men and Socialists Talk Against Militarism.

LABOR DAY came and went in New York City yesterday without a parade, but there were 100,000 school children last night who went to bed tired and happy. At twenty recreation centers scattered through the city they danced and ran races, acted in playlets and pageants, ate ice cream and cake, and forgot for one long and happy afternoon that school doors were almost ready to swing open and take them in.

At two playgrounds, the children saw a real Baroness Irmaugard von Rottenthal, who danced for them. She also listened to short speeches by the Park Commissioner and the Supervisor of Recreation. But for the most part they furnished their own amusement with the help from outside.

At Manhattan Casino, 155th Street and Eighth Avenue labor men and socialists held an anti-militaristic demonstration and indulged in vaudeville and light refreshments to show their sympathy with the cause of peace. At Fort George, most of the hoboes in New York met to eat Mulligan stew and plan their annual trip to the Catskills.

The tennis match at Forest Hills drew hundreds of persons from town to watch McLaughlin beat Pell and Johnson defeat Norris Williams.

Those interested in sports had plenty to attract them in the big track game at Empire City Park and scores of minor events. At Belmont Park there was a throng to see the running of the Autumn Highways Handicap. And there was baseball.

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Talk Against Militarism.
Alliance to the American flag was sworn to by one hundred boys and girls at the Riverside recreation pier. At Edward Park playground a Mardi Gras was held, and at Five Points the youngsters went through a housewifery drill.

A more serious programme was arranged at Manhattan Casino, where a meeting was held at 2 p. m. to discuss the European war and the work of the Socialist party.

"The trouble with us," said Ernest Bohm, secretary of the Central Federation, "is that we have been too absorbed in other matters. We have to face the spreading of militaristic virus through the United States."

Chester Wright, editor of "The Call," said Socialists, "Europe and America are not likely to get together on an international basis."

"Many Socialists," he said, "regard the collapse of the international movement as the saddest thing in recent years."

LABOR DAY IN CITY PLAYGROUNDS.

Pageant of Hours at Riverside Park.

They consider that nationalist feeling in France and Germany has swamped the internationalist feeling. The Catholic Church, however, is striking out boldly as an international force and I hope to see the Socialists of all warring nations recovering themselves and exerting a powerful voice to end the war."

A contented and efficient citizenship calls for a minimum wage that will support wage earners in genuine comfort.

"In discussing militarism and preparedness, let it be understood that the labor movement is not in favor of peace at any price."

"Labor favors preparedness, but not the kind that consists of militarism under another name. Labor wants peace, but it wants peace on terms that will support wage earners in genuine comfort."

"We stand aghast at the corporate-battlefields of Europe, but let us not forget that 30,000 of our fellow countrymen engaged in gainful occupations are killed every year. We demand that the annual killing of these 30,000 industrial workers cease, and we further demand that the three-quarters of a million wage earners annually injured be given that protection their usefulness to society warrants."

We further demand that the military years of age be removed from the mills and mines and placed in schools, where they may be prepared to assume the duties democracy places on each individual.

"No system of preparedness, no logic of national defence, justifies the dwarfing and stunting of boys and girls—our future men and women."

WOODSIDE BABIES PARADE

for Prizes Before Throng

Every one of the two hundred or more babies who took part in the baby parade in Woodside, L. I., yesterday afternoon was deserving of prizes. The parade started shortly after 2 o'clock and was a most interesting sight.

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LAFAYETTE DAY URGED AS HOLIDAY

Birth of America's Best Friend Should Be Celebrated, Fund Says.

MEMBERS WORKING FOR FRENCH ARMY

Report 50,000 Comfort Kits and Two Auto Ambulances Sent Since December.

Members of the Lafayette Fund, which sends comfort kits to French soldiers, held their annual meeting at the Hotel Vanderbilt yesterday, to commemorate the 158th anniversary of the birth of Marie Jean Paul Roch Yves Gilbert Motier, Marquis de Lafayette, aide to George Washington and general in the Revolutionary Army.

At the suggestion of Mrs. William Astor Chanler, a movement will be started to have Lafayette's birthday declared a national holiday.

"We observe the day commemorative of our independence," said Mrs. Chanler, a member of the executive committee of the fund, "and we further demand that the three-quarters of a million wage earners annually injured be given that protection their usefulness to society warrants."

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ENGLISH WORKMEN ATTACK MILITARISM

Trades Union Congress Takes Up War Problems and Denounces Prussian System.

Bristol, England, Sept. 6.—The forty-seventh annual Trades Union Congress, expected to be one of the most important gatherings in British labor history, held its first session here to-day.

In his opening address, James Andrew Seddon, chairman, discussed the problems of the day, giving chief place to those arising from the war. Such complex questions as conscription, exploitation of food products, regulation of labor under war conditions, and female labor, he declared, would test the nation to its foundation, and demanded immediate and unambiguous answers.

Chairman Seddon urged the Congress to prepare for the time when there would be a resumption of world-wide oneness in the contest between capital and labor.

"I feel confident," the chairman added, "that I carry the great bulk of this Congress with me when I say we offer our sorely stricken Belgian comrades our whole-hearted sympathy, and, if assurance be needed, our determination that their once fair land shall be restored to the people of Belgium before we agree to lay down the sword."

Mr. Seddon spoke of the war from the standpoint of the English workman. "It is a death struggle between two systems that cannot coexist in freedom," he said, "Prussian militarism, with all its boasted cruelty and any form of it here at home must be destroyed. Our share in the struggle will be equivalent to defeat unless we make the object of this war the overthrow of aggressive militarism."

The speaker asserted that the only way to minimize the danger from woman's labor was to insist on equal pay for equal work.

GORGAS URGES WAGE INCREASE

Surgeon General Declares Poor Pay Is at the Root of Bad Conditions.

Rochester, Sept. 6.—In an address at the opening session of the state conference of sanitary officers here to-night, Dr. William C. Gorgas, surgeon general of the United States army, declared that the most effective method of dealing with the bad social conditions which are at the root of bad hygiene was to raise wages. He drew a parallel from his experiences in the Panama Canal Zone, where he said that the extraordinary improvement in sanitary conditions was chiefly due to the fact that the wages of common laborers were increased from 11 cents an hour to 20 cents an hour.

"It is a health officer's duty to urge forward those measures in his community which still control individual diseases," he said, "but my long experience has taught me that it is still more his duty to take that broader view of life which goes to the root of bad hygiene, and does what he can to elevate the social conditions of his community. This can best be accomplished by increasing wages."

The sanitary officers were welcomed to the city by Dr. George W. Goley, city health officer, and were also addressed by Dr. Hermann M. Biggs, State Commissioner of Health, who in his address urged increased state appropriations for the work of the sanitary survey.

To-morrow Governor Whitman will arrive in the city to welcome delegates to the convention of the American Public Health Association. He will make an official visit to the Rochester Exposition and will be the guest at a military ball in his honor at the State Armory.

Girl Founding Proves To Be Boy
Miss Belle Hall, of 503 Eighth Avenue, Long Island City, in a lot at Judson and Washington avenues, yesterday found an infant about one month old, with a tag on its dress bearing the name Mary Miller. The police thought they had a clue from the tag as to the child's identity. Then the matron informed the police that the supposed girl was a boy. The infant was sent to the founding ward of the Kings County Hospital.

Driver Evaporates When Wagon Hits Pole—Helper in Hospital.
The youths of Westchester had a real Labor Day celebration last night. An ice cream wagon owned by the Grand Columbia O. K. Ice Cream Company, of 520 East 119th Street, struck a trolley pole at Westchester and Stebbins avenues, The Bronx. Great quantities of the delectable confection were scattered about the gutter. The clans gathered in no time.

The shock of the collision threw the driver and his helper out of the cart. The horse fled. The driver could not be found, but his helper received a possible fracture of the skull.

NEWPORT THRONGS HORSE SHOW CLOSE

Society Turns Out in Force—Many New Yorkers Close Their Season.

Newport, Sept. 6.—The final session of the horse show, at the Casino, this afternoon, brought out a large society gathering. It was a day for colored gowns. Mrs. Joseph E. Widener wore a pink and white striped costume, and Miss Wetmore a handsomely spangled green under white net. Small hats of gay colors were the rule.

Horse show luncheons were given to-day by Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt and Mrs. Charles Frederick Hoffman.

Mrs. August Belmont gave a dinner at By-the-Sea this evening. Mr. and Mrs. H. A. C. Taylor gave a luncheon on their yacht, Wanderer, prior to the horse show, and also treated their guests to a short sail during the luncheon.

Mr. and Mrs. Rodman Wanamaker, who are here on the steam yacht Nirvana, gave a dinner aboard this evening. They conceded you a society horse show, and the choice of the stands from the start.

One of the most attractive classes of the afternoon was that for four-year-olds. Miss Julia Berwind, who has been the guest of her brother, Edward W. Berwind, returned to Philadelphia.

William Spencer has gone to Washington, after spending his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Thompson Spencer.

Norris Sellar arrived yesterday, and with Mrs. Sellar is the guest of Mrs. Harold Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Goodby Loew and Mrs. Oliver Gould Jennings are to close their summer home this evening. Mr. and Mrs. Frank K. Sturges will leave next week.

Lispenard Stewart has returned from a month's camping trip, and George I. Scott, is back from Plattsburg, where he has been for a month.

GIRLS' STAGE CAREER NIPPED AT THE PIER
Police Hold Newport Runaways Until Parents Come.

"We have not seen a thing in New York."

This was the complaint of Addie McLeod and Gertrude Casey, both fifteen years old, at the Children's Society yesterday. Prematurely bitten by the theatrical bug, they felt the call of the stage and left their homes in Newport, R. I., to become actresses in a big city.

"You see, we had had the idea of becoming actresses ever since we first began to go to the movies often," said the light-haired, slight Addie. "But, my, the detectives knew us the minute we got off the boat."

When the prospective divas landed yesterday nothing but two cents and a cracker box stood between them and starvation. They had lost the money Gertrude had wrapped in her handkerchief and the address of a Newport girl living in the city. Detectives Hankins and McKenna, who had been informed from Newport that the runaways had been recognized boarding the Priscilla, gave them coffee and rolls at Police Headquarters.

CHAMPIONS SEEN AT HORSE SHOW

Judge Moore and Glen Riddle Farms Big Winners at Newport.

SADDLE HONORS GO TO NEW YORK HORSE

J. A. Hartford's Cossip Wins Blue Ribbons—Exhibition Closes Without Accident.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.]
Newport, R. I., Sept. 6.—The nineteenth annual Newport Horse Show came to a close this afternoon with the championship classes, Glen Riddle Farms winning the individual blue ribbon in the hunter class with Willow King. The entries of Judge William H. Moore, from Pride's Crossing, were easily the champions in the class for pairs, Lord and Lady Seaton, two horses that were big winners on every day of the show, winning out, and in the class for single horses Judge Moore's bay mare Bountiful was declared champion. The championship saddle honors went to the New York horse, Gossip, belonging to John A. Hartford.

Large crowds witnessed the final exhibitions, and the attendance during the whole show was better than any in years. The three days passed without a single serious accident. The only fall occurred to-day, when Richard Gambrell was thrown from Diana in the championship hunter class.

The show opened this afternoon with a class for ponies, in which Philip Caswell, of Middletown, R. I., took first and second honors with Rosedale Jill and Jack.

In the two local classes that followed Henry A. C. Taylor's high stepping pair, Duchess and Major, were the popular winners over the other harness pairs, Gotham Stables being given second place. The local class for hunters brought out seven horses. Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Clark had their Flying Star and Sam, but they did not place, though Mrs. Clark got third with Longwood. The place of honor went to Francis Roche with his Cleveland, and Richard Gambrell's bay mare won second place.

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